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In re application of:

Jeff Schulz

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For: DUAL OPTIMALITY FOR DIFFERENT DATA RATE BACKPLANE TRANSFERS

Mail Stop Amendment **Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

CONDITIONAL PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

This conditional petition is being filed along with the accompanying response to the Office Action dated August 6, 2004 and provides for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

Conditional petition for extension of time

If any extension of time for the accompanying response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

Status

This application is on behalf of other than a small entity.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10*

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Authorization for payment of fees

The Office is authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) to (d), which may be required by this Conditional Petition to Deposit Account No. 19-0737.

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